

REMARKS

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C § 103

Claims 1-3

Claims 1-3 were rejected as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,303,336 issued to Kageyama, et al. (*Kageyama*) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,141,681 issued to Kyle (*Kyle*).

Claims 1-3 have been canceled. Therefore the rejection of these claims is moot.

Claims 11-14

Claims 11-14 were rejected as being unpatentable over *Kageyama*. Claims 11-14 have been canceled. Therefore the rejection of these claims is moot.

Claims 6-8 and 10

Claims 6-8 and 10 were rejected as being unpatentable over *Kageyama* in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,511,156 issued to Nagasaka (*Nagasaka*). Claims 6-8 and 10 have been canceled. Therefore the rejection of these claims is moot.

New Claims

Claims 21-31 have been added. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 21-31 are patentable over *Kageyama*, *Kyle*, and *Nagasaka* for at least the reasons described below.

Claim 21, recites in part, the following:

sending unformatted data to the viewer, the unformatted data comprising a portion having an associated tag to indicate a formatting of the unformatted data to be used;

sending, together with the portion, a plurality of formatters to the viewer, each of which is capable of formatting a portion of unformatted data into a format for viewing by the viewer;

selecting one of the formatters at the viewer based on the associated tag; and

formatting the portion by the selected formatter to the format indicated by the tag for viewing by the viewer.

Thus, Applicant claims sending, together with the at least one portion, a plurality of formatters to the viewer and selecting one of the formatters at the viewer based on the associated tag. Claims 26 and 29 recite similar limitations.

Kageyama discloses a printing system in which terminals are connected to a print server for printing document data via a network. The Office action states that *Kageyama* fails to disclose providing a plurality of formatters. Applicant agrees with this statement. Applicant further submits that *Kageyama* does not teach or disclose selecting one of the formatters at the viewer based on the associated tag.

Kyle discusses a local computer having an interpreter that receives a data package and separates the data package into a local executable portion and a local data portion. See column 3 line 65 – column 4 line 1. *Kyle* does not teach or disclose selecting one of the formatters at the viewer based on the associated tag, as recited in claim 21. Thus, *Kyle* fails to cure the deficiencies of *Kageyama*.

Nagasaka is cited as disclosing sending data portions to a plurality of viewers. Whether or not *Nagasaka* actually teaches the limitations cited in the Office action, *Nagasaka* does not teach or disclose selecting one of the formatters at the viewer based on the associated tag. Thus, *Nagasaka* fails to cure the deficiencies of *Kageyama* and *Kyle*. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits claims 21, 26 and 29 are not obvious in view of *Kageyama*, *Kyle*, and *Nagasaka*.

Claims 22-25 depend from claim 21. Claims 27-28 depend from claim 26. Claims 30-31 depend from claim 29. Given that independent claims necessarily include the limitations of the claims from which they depend, Applicant respectfully submits claim 22-25, 27-28, and 30-31 are not obvious in view of *Kageyama*, *Kyle*, and *Nagasaka* for at least the reasons set forth above.

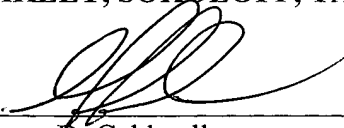
CONCLUSION

In view of the remarks set forth above, Applicant submits that claims 21-31 are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

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